

CROP VEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Most of the State received much needed precipitation limiting producers to average 1.1 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Up to 12 inches of snow was received in the western third of the State, while the rest of the State received a mix of snow and rain. Calving and preparing for spring fieldwork were the major activities. Topsoil moisture was rated 7 percent very short, 25 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 25 percent very short, 46 percent short, and 29 percent adequate.

Field Crop Report: Eleven percent of the wheat has jointed, four points behind last year but unchanged from the 5-year average. Wheat condition was rated 9 percent very poor, 20 percent poor, 45 percent fair, 24 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. The moisture helped improve the wheat condition but more is needed across the State. Wheat freeze damage reports indicated 82 percent of the wheat has not been damaged, 16 percent with light damage, and 2 percent with moderate damage. Reports of wind damage indicated 75 percent of the wheat with no damage, 20 percent with light damage, 4 percent with moderate damage, and 1 percent with severe damage. Insect reports indicated 75 percent with no infestation, 20 percent with light infestation, 4 percent with moderate infestation, and 1 percent with severe infestation. Disease reports indicated 82 percent with no presence, 17 percent with light presence, and 1 percent with moderate presence. Fifty-two percent of oats have been planted, compared with 47 percent last year but unchanged from the 5-year average.

Pasture and Range Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated 13 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 46 percent fair, 19 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 90 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 18 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 13 percent very short, 28 percent short, and 59 percent adequate.

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CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 03/26/06

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
03/26/06	9	20	4.5	24	2
03/19/06	13	25	38	23	1
03/27/05	1	4	23	52	20
Range & Pasture	e 13	21	46	19	1

CROP PROGRESS BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICT AS OF 03/26/06

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		NW		WC		SW		NC		С		SC		ΝE		ЕC		SE	STATE	WEEK	YEAR	AVG.
Wheat Joint		7		3		13		2		8	3	20		11		19		17	11	4	15	11

DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 03/26/06

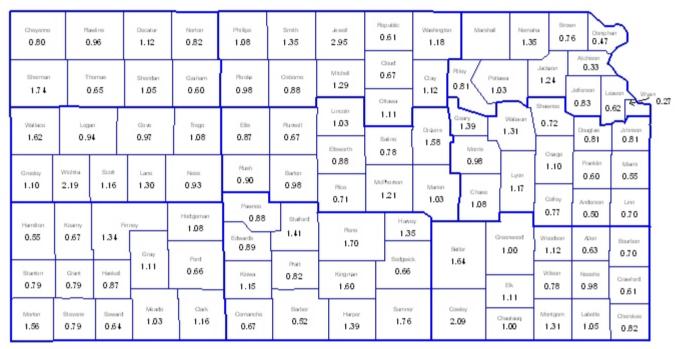
											LAST	LAST
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	WEEK	YEAR
D												
Days Suitable	0 0	0 0	0 -	1 0	0 4	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 1	- 7	0 0
for Fieldwork	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.0	0.4	1.9	1.3	1.8	1.9	1.1	5.7	2.0
Topsoil Moistu	ıre (P	ercen	+)									
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Very Short	0	15	36	2	0	12	1	0	0	7	49	0
Short	12	17	16	24	31	44	3	21	50	25	28	8
Adequate	88	68	48	74	57	44	85	79	46	64	21	78
Surplus	0	0	0	0	12	0	11	0	4	4	2	14
Subsoil Moistu	iro (D	ercen	+ \									
Subsoil Moisco	ire (r	ercen										
Very Short	19	52	36	19	53	31	5	0	28	25	35	3
Short	74	45	49	48	40	51	44	40	34	46	45	20
Adequate	7	3	15	33	7	18	51	60	38	29	20	73
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 03/26/06

Temperature									l	Temp				
Statior	n	Air		Soil	4"	Precip	S	tation		Air		Soil	4"	Precip
Dist Cit	y Ma:	k Min	Avg	Max	Min	Ī	Dis	t City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Ī
NW Colby	y 5	3 11	28	40	33	0.19	SC	Hesston	65	21	36	53	35	0.06
WC Tribu	ine 6	3 12	29	45	35	0.15	NE	Powhatt	58	22	36	52	38	0.25
SW Grdn	Cty 7	2 11	31	52	34	0.00	NE	Manhat	61	20	35	53	35	0.60
NC Scand	dia 62	2 14	33	50	35	0.59	EC	Ottawa	61	24	37	52	38	0.81
C Hays	6.	5 14	34	61	35	0.23	EC	Slvr Lk	61	26	37	51	37	0.40
SC Hutch	n 6.	5 20	37	61	40	0.44	EC	Rossvl	61	24	37	51	37	0.62
SC St Jo	ohn 6	5 22	37	61	38	0.35	SE	Parsons	63	23	38	51	38	0.23

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting station data are through 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 26, 2006



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.